

FOR CENTENNIAL

LIBRARY PLANS SHOWN AT SIDNEY COUNCIL MEETING

Plans for a branch library adjacent to Sanscha Hall were unveiled on Monday evening before Sidney village council.

Joint centennial committee of North Saanich and Sidney has previously gained approval in principle of a library building to represent a permanent monument to the centenary of Canada's Confederation.

The plans were prepared by Andries Boas when he was serving on Sidney village council. They provide for a main library building of about 70 feet by 30 feet. The structure will be erected at the west end of the Sidney and North Saanich Community Centre.

Access to the library is planned by way of an ornate entrance on to Beacon Ave.

The building will consist of a long rectangular room with bookshelves around its perimeter and island bookcases down the centre.

NEAR ENTRANCE
The librarian will be seated near the entrance foyer with a small workshop and a rest room immediately adjacent.

Opening off the main room are a reading room, where current magazines will be kept on hand for perusal within the building. There is also provision for a children's room, where children's books will be available.

The entrance foyer will provide toilet facilities, a showcase and the access stairway to the upper floor. Upper floor is not intended for library use at the present time. Initially it is planned as an assembly room for educational and cultural pursuits for which there is little provision in the community at the present time.

CONCRETE BLOCK
Initial plans call for concrete

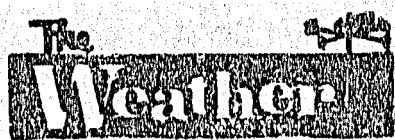
SIDNEY NOW INCORPORATED WITHIN REGION

Village of Sidney is now part of the Vancouver Island Regional Library District.

On Monday evening the village council received formal notice that it has been included in the district. This follows approval of a referendum in December.

Service will shortly be available here.

Commissioner W. W. Gardner has been named Sidney delegate to the library board. He will be replaced at a later date by a permanent nominee, stated Chairman A. W. Freeman.



SAANICHTON

The following is the meteorological report for the week ending Jan. 9, furnished by the Dominion Experimental Station:

Maximum temp. (Jan. 6)	50
Minimum temp. (Jan. 4)	28
Minimum on the grass	19
Precipitation (inches)	3.37
1966 precipitation	4.49
Sunshine (hours)	2.9

SIDNEY

Supplied by the meteorological division, Department of Transport, for the week ending Jan. 9.

Maximum temp. (Jan. 6)	50
Minimum temp. (Jan. 4)	23
Mean temperature	37.3
Rain	1.05
Precipitation (inches)	2.66
1966 precipitation (inches)	3.77

Weekly Tide Table

(Calculated at Fulford)

These times are Pacific Standard	
Jan. 14—3:24 a.m.	6.5
Jan. 14—10:41 a.m.	11.7
Jan. 14—6:19 p.m.	4.3
Jan. 15—1:34 a.m.	8.5
Jan. 15—4:34 a.m.	8.1
Jan. 15—11:07 a.m.	11.4
Jan. 15—7:03 p.m.	3.3
Jan. 16—3:23 a.m.	9.6
Jan. 16—10:06 a.m.	9.4
Jan. 16—11:32 a.m.	11.1
Jan. 16—7:45 p.m.	2.5
Jan. 17—4:26 a.m.	10.7
Jan. 17—7:51 a.m.	10.1
Jan. 17—11:58 a.m.	10.8
Jan. 17—8:24 p.m.	1.9
Jan. 18—5:08 a.m.	11.3
Jan. 18—8:25 a.m.	10.2
Jan. 18—12:28 p.m.	10.5
Jan. 18—9:03 p.m.	1.7
Jan. 19—5:46 a.m.	11.7
Jan. 19—10:38 a.m.	10.1
Jan. 19—1:10 p.m.	10.5
Jan. 19—9:40 p.m.	1.3
Jan. 20—6:19 a.m.	11.8
Jan. 20—11:27 a.m.	9.9
Jan. 20—1:59 p.m.	10.1
Jan. 20—10:17 p.m.	1.6

ECONOMIST TO ATTEND

Store Survey To Be Discussed By Merchants At Hotel Tuesday

Chamber of Commerce in Sidney has sound a call to merchants and storekeepers of the community to take part in next Tuesday evening's meeting in the Hotel Sidney. All businessmen have been urged to attend, members or not.

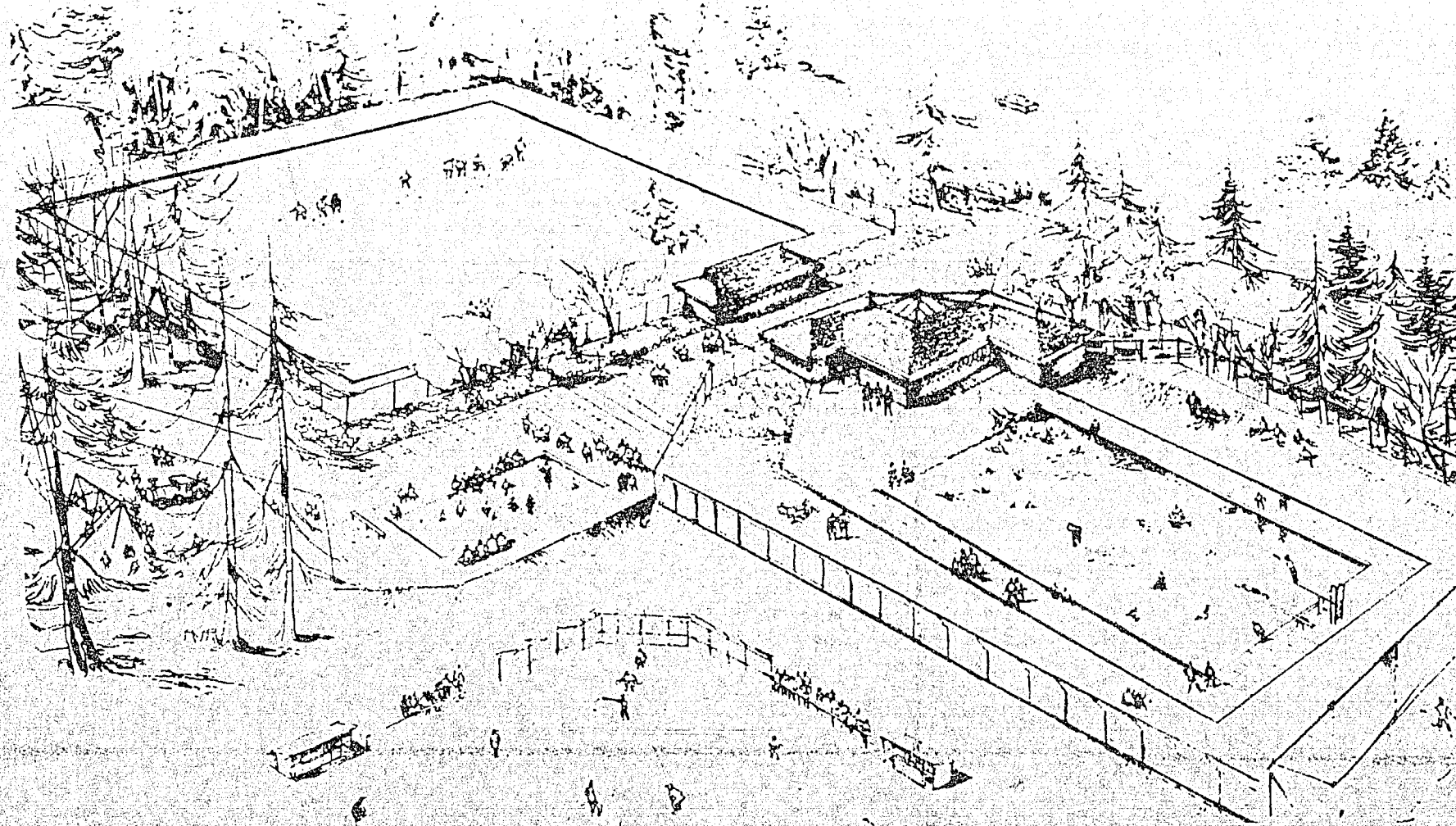
The meeting will offer an analysis of the recent consumer survey carried out by the chamber. John Quail, economist with the B.C. Credit Union,

will explain the survey and its meaning to the individual merchant.

Survey shows the average shopping habits of the community and provides a number of recommendations whereby merchants may offer an improved service if they wish.

Meeting will take place in the hotel banquet room at 8 p.m.

Proposed Swimming Pool At Centennial Park



Centralized recreational area will be created at Centennial Park in Central Saanich if the proposed swimming pool meets with the approval of ratepayers and council.

This sketch by architect Donald Wagg shows the suggested location of the pool in relation to existing sports facilities—the baseball diamond in the foreground, tennis courts on the right and wading pool in the centre of the drawing. Also included in the sketch is the projected lawn bowling green, at top. The bowling green is not being actively considered at present, but is included in future plans for the popular park on Wallace Drive.

Centennial committee's proposals for the open air swimming pool will be opened to ratepayers at two public meetings. Plans call for a 30 by 60-foot pool with changing rooms and showers at an estimated cost of \$36,000. To meet capital costs beyond government grants and private donations it is proposed that the municipality impose a one-mill levy which would also provide funds for maintenance and operation of the pool.

PROSPECT LAKE

Minimum Water Supply "Not Good Enough" Says Trustee

A minimum water supply has been located at the site of the new Prospect Lake elementary school, but Saanich school trustees on Monday decided they want assurance that the supply will be sufficient before opening the school.

A well recently drilled near the building has delivered 120 gallons per hour, the board was told, sustaining this over a four-hour test period.

I TOLD YOU SO

"This is not good enough," contended Trustee Cuthbert Brown, chairman of the buildings and grounds committee. "If there is difficulty later I will have to say 'I told you so,' he added.

Trustee Brown pointed out the three-room Durranne school has a well delivering 240 gallons per hour.

Buildings Superintendent Bryan Shaw said three to five gallons of water per day are required for each elementary school student in District 63.

INSTALL TANK

He said there could be a seasonal fluctuation in the level of water in the well. A large tank capable of holding two days supply of water could be installed, he suggested, and, if necessary, water could be trucked in during dry weather.

Chairman Alex Porteous summarized the situation by stating that three courses were open to the board: leave it as is and hope for the best; delay opening of the school until a sufficient supply is assured, or open the building now and continue to look for a larger water supply.

OBTAIN REPORT

Trustees agreed to obtain a detailed report from the engineer before making a final decision.

Trustee Mrs. Norm Lindsay revealed that a new petition is starting in the Prospect Lake area to bring the municipal water supply to the district. An earlier petition was unsuccessful.

Industrial Zoning Studied

For Area North Of Airport

Rezoning of property to the north of Patricia Bay Airport for industrial purposes was questioned briefly on Monday evening by Commissioner J. E. Boshier, in Sidney council chamber.

Rezoning of the area would freeze it, he suggested and should any person seek to build a home later, he would be denied permission.

Chairman A. W. Freeman explained that if any such request were made the zoning could revert to residential at any time. Specifically, he added, the present move to zone it industrially could be terminated at the end of a 30-day period if there was no one to take advantage of the rezoning.

POOR SERVICES

Commissioner H. E. Rasmussen considered that there is little to attract industry to the site in view of poor services.

Speaking for last year's council,

POLICE INCREASE ANTICIPATED

Augmented police detachment in Sidney is planned by the provincial Attorney-General's department.

On Monday evening Sidney village council was advised that the policing of Sidney is under consideration at the present time, with North Saanich.

Deputy Attorney-General Gilbert Kennedy wrote that an increase in the detachment is anticipated.

PLAYERS SEEK GRANT

Peninsula Players' request for a grant from Sidney council has been referred to committee.

On Monday evening a letter was received from the group in reference to the planned allocation of funds to community cultural groups.

IN INAUGURAL ADDRESS

FREEMAN CALLS FOR CO-OPERATION

Program of progressive development, close communication with North Saanich and careful control of expenditures was offered by Chairman A. W. Freeman in his inaugural address to Sidney council on Monday evening.

Commissioner Freeman also hinted that the two adjacent municipalities may one day merge.

The text of his address follows.

We have now embarked on another phase of the development and history of Sidney, or rather Sidney and the surrounding areas.

During the past few months we have seen the incorporation of North Saanich and I venture to say that in the not-too-distant future we could be asked to consider the amalgamation of the entire area. In this respect serious thought must

HARDSHIP?

Council To Discuss Wharf Fees With Fishermen's Union

Sidney village council will meet officers of the Sidney Local of the United Fishermen's and Allied Workers' Union at the next council meeting.

Fishermen will discuss problems of the public wharf at Shoal Harbor.

The wharf was constructed as a "fishermen's wharf" following persistent complaints of commercial fishermen that there was no provision here for their vessels.

Shortly after its construction the department of public works noted that the wharf was a public wharf and not specifically for fishermen.

The village undertook its administration after being pressed by the federal government last year.

PROHIBITIVE

The fees levied by the village, on behalf of the government, for wharfage are exerting a hardship on fishermen. In certain instances the cost of tying up at the fishermen's wharf could prove prohibitive and beyond those normally faced by the fishermen, some fishermen have observed.

The scale of charges prepared by the federal government are geared to the use of the vessel. If it is tied up permanently the charge is less than if it is used for fishing in the off-season. Revenue is small from any fishing trip in winter for many boats. It is feared that the imposition of a special levy on those fishing could serve to discourage fishing at this time of year.

ANOTHER 224 MAIL BOXES AT POST OFFICE

Demand for mail boxes at Sidney post office will be eased later this week with the installation of an additional 224 boxes.

It will bring the total number of mail boxes at the local office up to 1,002.

Workmen are presently installing the extra post office boxes and expect to have them ready for service by the end of the week.

Space for the additional boxes has been created by making a short, closed hallway off the main entrance.

Three Are Honored When Presentations Are Made

Three former Sidney commissioners were honored on Monday evening by the present council.

A. A. Cormack and J. G. Mitchell were present at the council meeting to receive a desk set from the people of Sidney in gratitude for their service to the community. Mr. Cormack served on the council for eight years and Mr. Mitchell for five. Both men resigned last year in protest against the unsuccessful roads construction by-law.

Third former member of the council, Andries Boas, was not present at the council meeting. A presentation marking his service to the community will be made at another time, without publicity.

None of these gentlemen expected recognition and each has contributed to the community, said Chairman A. W. Freeman.

Both recipients expressed their appreciation.

Mr. Cormack recalled the changes in Sidney since the first chairman, J. J. White, took office.

FIRST IN 1966

Food Stall Opens On Saturday

Surplus Food Stall in Victoria opens its doors for the first time in 1966 on Saturday, Jan. 15. The 155 recipients will each be looking for a hamper of food.

Provisions are scarce at this time of the year and the stall has nothing on hand, so please be generous.

Anyone who has anything to donate may get in touch with Mrs. E. E. Harper, 5895 Patricia Bay Highway, phone 658-8177, and arrangements will be made for the parcel to be picked up.

Porteous New Board Chairman

Trustee Alex Porteous of North Saanich was elected chairman of the Saanich school board for 1966 at the first meeting of the new year on Monday evening.

Chairman Porteous, commencing his second term on the board, succeeds Gordon Campbell of Sidney who resigned after one year as chairman to pursue his studies at the University of Victoria leading to a teaching career.

Trustee Cuthbert Brown of Central Saanich is vice-chairman for the next year.

Taking their seats at the board table for the first time on Monday were new trustees V. A. Beaumont of Central Saanich and Reginald Clarke, representing Sidney.

CO-OPERATION

We must also work in close co-operation with the department of highways, as I feel sure that more of our roads will come under the jurisdiction of the provincial government. We are also obligated to the residents of this community to see that we get suitable access roads to and from Sidney.

I recommend to the members of council, that we, as a council, avail ourselves of the services of the Capital Development Commission.

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SECOND REQUEST FOR STREET LIGHTING

Further request to Sidney council regarding street lighting on All Day Road has been made by G. L. Peter Drummond.

Last fall Mr. Drummond asked for improved lighting on the thoroughfare. He was told at that time that the request would be considered in the light of the street lighting program to be undertaken in conjunction with the B.C. Hydro.

On Monday evening the request was tabled for consideration in connection with the street lighting plan.

IN TOKEN OF EFFORTS

APPRECIATIVE LETTER TO ANDRIES BOAS BY COMMITTEE

Letter of appreciation for his services is to be sent to Andries Boas, former Sidney commissioner, by the North Saanich and Sidney Centennial Committee.

On Wednesday evening last week the committee warmly approved the

motion of A. R. Spooner that the letter be a "token of the work Mr. Boas has done for the committee."

The committee also expressed the hope that Mr. Boas might see his way to return to the committee, from which he has withdrawn since his departure from public affairs.

Lunar Rainbow Is Seen By Central Saanich Couple

Rare phenomenon of a lunar rainbow was clearly seen by a Mount Newton couple last Thursday evening.

Tim Hives, 8555 West Saanich Road, was aloft clearing snow from his roof. Light rain that was scarcely more than a mist was falling and the moon gave the snow a radiance as if through a haze.

Looking to the southwest he saw a rainbow reaching from above in a perfect arc into Finlayson Arm. The spectrum colors were more subdued than in a rainbow of the sun, but all were present and could be defined.

From the front room window below his vantage point Penny Hives clearly saw the arc of the rainbow. It was curiously luminous but without color to her vision. It seemed to them extraordinary that the degree of elevation should make that difference.

Domitian Astrophysical Observatory astronomer said that personally he had never seen a lunar rainbow, but explained that there is no reason

whatever why such a phenomenon should not be visible in the prevailing circumstances.

"Aided by keen eyesight and a lot of luck they probably did see a good honest-to-goodness rainbow at night," commented the scientist.

WINTER FESTIVAL IF HOLIDAY EXCUSE NEEDED

By BILL CHATTERTON

Every year about this time there's a great discussion across Canada when every man and his dog bewails the sad fact that the three most depressing months of the year are ahead of us—without a holiday. Remember we talked and talked about this a year ago? Well, we're doing it again.

RATHER SILLY

It's rather silly really. We seem to believe that the commemoration of some dusty historical event would be the only justification for taking a day off work sometime about the middle of February. That's fine, but nothing important enough has ever happened in Canada in February worth celebrating. Everybody's been too busy trying to come up with just cause for a holiday.

A few pitiful suggestions have been put forward in the past, including Flag Day and Valentine's Day. Apparently half of Canada's population nearly a year ago and it is doubtful that these people would be willing to annually glorify the event. I suspect that Valentine's Day was introduced by the greeting card people, so it couldn't really be considered worthy of a national holiday.

SIMPLE FACT

But surely the simple fact that we don't have a break in the worst time of the year is sufficient cause to declare a one-day holiday across the nation.

If it's not cricket to spend a holiday completely idle, then let's declare a national Winter Festival. That wouldn't require every community to stage some spectacular snow carnival although such an af-

CAREFUL DRIVING
Be particularly careful this winter when you drive on bridges and overpasses, the B.C. Automobile Association says. They can be accident traps for unwary drivers. While melting snow may have disappeared from most of the roadway, bridge surfaces exposed to the cold below may still be slippery.

fair would be appropriate in the regions of Canada where snow and ice come hand in hand with October and are guaranteed to stick around until April.

FITTING SPORTS

In this particular part of gorgeous B.C. where it never snows and the roses bloom at Christmas, lawn bowling tournaments, cricket, sack races, egg and spoon races, three-legged races and similar feats befitting both the climate and the athletic ability of the majority of the residents would be more suitable.

And a winter festival of this sort would undoubtedly attract hordes of washed-out Californians to this temperate zone. An atmosphere of cheerfulness and goodwill would prevail, set to the sweet strains of merry cash register bells.

NOT THIS YEAR

Of course, talking about this now won't do us one bit of good as far as this year is concerned. We're not going to get another holiday until Easter—That's as remote as your chances of winning riches in the next Sweep.

We don't have to worry about a winter festival in 1966 and 1967 though. Centennial celebrations will afford us an opportunity to have fun in the slush if we can wangle time off.

Let's think about it for another two years.

Fire Losses Near \$10,000 In 1965

Central Saanich Volunteer Fire Department had a "fairly light" year in 1965, according to Fire Chief Don Facey.

The firemen were called out to a total of 33 fires during the year, nine of which resulted in financial loss. Total estimated fire losses for the year in Central Saanich were \$10,000. Worst fire of the year caused about \$6,500 damage to Brentwood Hardware last fall, and the second worst fire destroyed a shed and contents including a camper on the property of H. E. Baade, Stellys Cross Road. Several homes on reserves in the municipality were also damaged by fire but there was no great financial loss involved, the fire chief said.

The department's ambulance was called out on 79 occasions during 1965. The emergency vehicle, a 1954 Chevrolet station wagon, will soon be replaced by a new, two-stroke vehicle. Delivery of the new ambulance is expected this month.

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IT'S END by INDSOR

Thinking back on the recent snowfalls, at least I hope they're going to be recent by the time this comes to press, though at the moment they're still very much in evidence, I can't help feeling somewhat aggrieved by what is obviously a breach of promise.

Like many another Stubble Jumper, Blue Noser, and Down Easterner, I was lured out to this coast by that Madison Avenue line about an Evergreen Playground. Frankly, the product is not quite as advertised. What I can't understand is why Victoria hasn't gone after the next Winter Olympics, or if not that, at least we should get the army school for Arctic Survival.

It's no coincidence that the P.M. appointed a West Coast man as his Minister of Northern Affairs. Mr. Laing should be able to teach the Eskimos a wrinkle or two about snow conditions.

ON CHRISTMAS CARDS

Not, mind you, that I'm opposed to snow. I love it on Christmas cards, I chortle when about four feet of it is dumped on Toronto or Montreal, and I'm even prepared for a light sprinkling on Christmas morning to heighten the Yuletide effect, but this year, as usual, it's gone too far.

As I plough through the snowdrifts that were once a nice smooth driveway I get that "With Scott To The Antarctic" feeling, and it doesn't do a thing for me. From now on the only birds I want to follow are disillusioned swallows, heading straight back to Capistrano.

Actually, much of the chaos and confusion that comes with each new blizzard can be attributed to the fact that as a people we are getting soft, unable to cope with nature in the rough. What, I ask you, has happened to the good old-fashioned wily who used to be up long before dawn to shovel a path through the drifts out to the barn and then on to the haystack before getting on with chopping the wood, milking the cows, and other such wily tasks? I'm afraid that today's slim trim matrons just don't have the get up and go of their pioneer grandmothers.

WHERE'S HER SPIRIT?

The packaging may be gorgeous, but where's that spirit that developed the West? Despite a lot of rather broad hints about the exact location of the snow shovel, I haven't had the slightest co-operation from my own wife.

"There seems to be rather a lot of snow on the drive, Dear."

"So I've noticed."

"Nice if someone got out there and cleared it off."

"Yes, wouldn't it."

At times I've even thought of getting out there and doing it myself, just to make her feel bad, but then again it mightn't and besides, we don't really want to go out in the car anyway.

Probably the most frightening knowledge to come out of these Arctic invasions is the way in which we have become so absolutely dependant upon electrical power. I don't know whether yours did, but ours went out. Of course there was no panic. We all kept calm, and needless to say, cool, not phoning the power authority more than a couple of dozen times to tell them how chilly we were. Besides, you don't get the same satisfaction in pouring out your woes over the phone when the sultry voiced shrew at the other end begins her conversation with, "This is a recording."

IT WAS A BLESSING

When those kilowatts stop trickling in, everything comes to a standstill. No heat, no light, no cooking, sometimes no water, and even when there is, Momma has to do the washing by hand because the handkerchiefs are out also, while Poppa has to push one of those heavy old fashioned toothbrushes around because his new electric one just won't get with it. About the only advantage I found was the delightful quiet round the old homestead, no rock and roll, no Popeye cartoons, no commercials, just peace, wonderful peace. Maybe it was worth enduring cold, hunger and all the other privations for such a blessing.

SAANICHTON

Saanich Peninsula Basketball League will resume games this week. Games scheduled for the Saanichton Agricultural Hall on Saturday, Jan. 15, are as follows: pre-midget girls, Saanichton vs. Victoria Metropolitan, 7 p.m.; bantam girls, Saanichton vs. Cordova Bay, 7:45 p.m.; and at 8:30 p.m., Saanichton Bantam Boys vs. Victoria Bays Club.
Mr. and Mrs. R. Patenaude and family, Simpson Road, returned from Montreal on Sunday after spending the holiday season with both of their families in the eastern city. They travelled by train across Canada and were fortunate to complete their journey home without delay, since the snowdrifts had been cleared through the mountains shortly before their train arrived in the west.

GOLDEN ANNIVERSARY ON MONDAY

A Central Saanich couple married in Victoria during World War I will celebrate their 50th wedding anniversary next Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Young, 6599 Central Saanich Road, were married on January 17, 1916 by Rev. Stevenson.

Mr. Young was born in Osage City, Kansas, and came to Keating as a child with his parents in 1900. He operated a berry farm in the Keating district and retired some years ago as superintendent with Commonwealth Construction Company.

Mrs. Young, the former Ruby Tubman, was born and educated in Victoria. She later taught in North Ward and West Saanich schools. She has been a member of the South Saanich Women's Institute for many years and is presently secretary, a position she has held for seven years.

Mr. and Mrs. Young are both active members of the Saanich Pioneer Society.

They have two children, Karl, living in Seattle, and Eileen, Mrs. George Allen, of Duncan, and four grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

An open house planned at the Saanich Pioneer Cabin to mark their golden anniversary on January 16 has been postponed and will be held at a later date.

TENTATIVELY APPROVED

Meetings Called To Outline Centennial Pool Project

Construction of a 30 by 60-foot outdoor swimming pool as a centennial project was approved in principle by Central Saanich council last Thursday and two public hearings were ordered to explain the proposal in detail to ratepayers.

Representatives of the municipal committee met in camera with council and agreed to circulate a letter to ratepayers outlining the suggested project.

Estimated cost of the pool is \$36,000.

"It was recommended that funds required after municipal and senior government grants of \$10,000 be raised through public subscription and a one-mill levy by the municipality.

"The one-mill levy would be sufficient to take care of the immediate capital costs of the project as well as future maintenance and operation of the pool," the committee said.

The project would include a chlorinating plant, changing facilities and showers as required by health authorities. Location at Central Park on Wallace Drive is visualized.

First meeting to describe the proposals in detail and answer questions will be held at the Brentwood Women's Institute hall this Thursday, Jan. 13, and the second meeting will take place at the Saanichton agricultural hall next Monday, Jan. 17. Both meetings will start

RUPERT BROWN

Former Reeve Dies At Age 78 After Lengthy Illness

Former Central Saanich reeve H. Rupert Brown died in a Victoria hospital last Thursday after a long illness. He was 78 years of age.

Mr. Brown was born in a log cabin near Duncan on November 18, 1887.

He served on Central Saanich council for eight years, including six years as reeve.

Speaking on behalf of the council on Friday, Reeve Gordon Lee said, "The municipality of Central Saanich has learned of the passing of former reeve H. Rupert Brown with a sincere feeling of deep regret."

GOOD YEARS

"His six years of office as reeve from 1955 to 1960 were good years for this municipality and they will always remain with us as pleasant memories of his wise and competent stewardship during those years and his devoted services as a former municipal councillor."

Mr. Brown was a contractor in Victoria from 1919 to 1950 and he operated a real estate office for 25 years.

He was instrumental in the establishing of the Central Saanich waterworks system and triggered a controversy when he advocated legalized sweepstakes as a form of tax revenue.

Mr. Brown retired from municipal politics when he suffered a heart attack in 1960.

He was a member of the Knights



H. RUPERT BROWN

of Pythias for over 50 years and was a former Grand Chancellor of the Grand Lodge of British Columbia.

A year ago, Mr. Brown was named Warden Emeritus by the congregation of Brentwood College Memorial Chapel in recognition of his many faithful years of service to the church. He had attended the church for some 15 years and was a warden for a number of years.

Mr. Brown is survived by his wife, Evelyn, at the residence, 4640 Pipeline Road; a son, Peter, Victoria, a daughter, Mrs. P. G. (Marjorie) Lawrence, West Vancouver, and three grandchildren.

Funeral services were held at Sands Memorial Chapel of Chimes in Victoria on Saturday, Jan. 8, and the services were followed by cremation.

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A Watchful Eye

NEW chairman of the village council in Sidney has noted that mooted plans of the Canadian Pacific Railway to bring heavy transport through Sidney will be closely watched by his council.

It is very proper that the council should observe closely any feature which affects or concerns the community. In this instance there is, unfortunately, very little that the council can do.

The village may only make recommendations and hope that the senior governments might show a greater degree of co-operation than is normal.

The provision of new warehouse facilities in the vicinity of the Patricia Bay Airport has long been anticipated here. The probability of this development was mooted when the Swartz Bay link was first constructed.

The village council and the community in general will watch closely any development here.

Both Sidney and North Saanich will be affected by any plan to move traffic from the western United States to Alaska via Vancouver Island, if the Saanich Inlet crossing is to be part of that route.

The Washington State Ferries represents only part of the long chain, but Sidney is likely to gain commercial significance if it should become part of the international road to the north.

Commissioner A. W. Freeman will enjoy a close support in his watch on developments.

Parasitical Plan

WHAT is the value of water?

To the thirsty man it is priceless. To the satisfied man it is of little consequence. To the drowning man it is anathema.

Traditionally, it is worth the cost of its transportation. Whether it comes to us through troughs or pipes or in a barrel, the cost we expect to pay is that of bringing it. Too long we have been accustomed to accepting water as an essential.

In this light, water supply is sacred. We have clear evidence of this in the case of the Sooke watersheds, whence comes the supply for the city of Victoria and its neighbors. Mount Maxwell on Salt Spring Island is the source of water for North Salt Spring Island. In neither watershed may visitors casually tread. The very presence of people might contaminate the water.

Everywhere, on Vancouver Island and across the world, watersheds and systems are maintained in a state of utmost cleanliness. The operators of supply systems spend considerable sums of money on maintaining this strict standard of cleanliness.

The value of water is almost universally the cost of bringing it to the consumer added to the cost of ensuring purity.

In Saanich Peninsula communities we have a further factor.

The source of water here is not publicly owned. Its ownership is vested in the city. The pattern closely resembles that of a range war so often depicted on television.

Cost of bringing the water north to Saanich Peninsula is borne by the ratepayers or consumers of the district. The purity of the water is maintained by the consumers. Owners of the lake from which it is taken have no liability in respect of the water, or its quality. The watershed is a playground.

This is an odd situation. While providing no service, no aid and no assurance of quality, the city of Victoria seeks a levy on users of water. The lake from which it is drawn lies in another municipality. There is no question but that the demand savors strongly of extortion.

The situation is the more odd by virtue of the fact that while one part of Victoria seeks an unjustifiable tax on water consumed in this district, another is constantly wooing us and urging us to support city functions.

We cannot be convinced that the people of Victoria are honestly and with all due consideration eager to be identified with this parasitical plan.

There is something slightly distasteful about a city's moving to extort money from this community under the pressure of our need of water.

Recognition

ON Monday evening three members of past councils in Sidney were honored by the serving council. Mr. A. A. Cormack, Mr. J. G. Mitchell and Mr. Andries Boas all received a gift from the community in token of their work on behalf of the village.

Mr. Cormack was senior member of the triumvirate, with eight years to his credit. Mr. Mitchell devoted five years to the service of the community, while Mr. Boas had served for two.

The gesture of making a formal presentation was a pleasing acknowledgment of their community service. They may retire to private life in the knowledge that their efforts have not been overlooked and that the community has recognized their contribution to the municipality in which they have chosen to live.

AWAIT REPORT

No Rezoning In Central Saanich For Three Months

No rezoning applications will be considered by Central Saanich Council for the next three months.

Council on Tuesday evening decided to defer any rezoning decisions until a new zoning plan for the entire municipality is received from the Capital Region Planning Board. The revised plan is now being prepared and is expected to be completed early in April.

Deferment of any rezoning applications was recommended to council by Municipal Clerk Fred Durand.

NO DEFINITION

The decision will primarily affect the three properties in the municipality currently zoned special commercial. Council had earlier given two readings to bylaws removing the zoning, contending that it would permit undesirable developments. Strong objection to re-

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tal Region Planning Board. We are contributing members of this board and in the past they have been very helpful to Sidney. With their knowledge and experience they could be invaluable to Sidney in the future.

NOT IN FAVOR

As you are aware, I am not in favor of borrowing large amounts of money, but I feel that we should make every effort to disburse our income and get as much for our tax dollar as we can, but with certain exceptions.

A nominal amount be put aside each year to cover emergencies, also a carry-over, as recommended by the department of municipal affairs, to finance our operating costs from January to June of each year.

The increase in revenue, brought about by the increase in assessments, for 1966 should eliminate any necessity for an increase in general taxes.

"Should," I say, as the increase only amounts to just over one mill and this will, of course, be absorbed by grants, etc.

However, I feel that we shall have to cut back a little on our public works program to enable us to pay for the additional costs that we have to pay to cover the extra services that will be available to the community this coming year. The Library service, I understand, will be available in the very near future.

BIG INCREASE

While I am on costs, I would point out that we have had to provisionally budget for a 100 per cent increase in our fire protection costs; our street lighting costs for the coming year will increase by approximately 77 per cent and we also have to anticipate a considerable increase in our health costs.

With regard to our public works program, I anticipate that with the completion of the 1965 and 1966 program we shall have completed approximately \$100,000 worth of local improvements, which is quite considerable for a village of this size. I should add that this figure does not include the proposed sewer program which is valued at approximately \$60,000.

Apart from the sewer, priorities will be given to street lighting, ditches and sidewalks.

LONG-RANGE PLAN

I intend to proceed with the formation of a long-range planning committee. This is not with the idea of shelving or of putting in to moth balls matters that we feel that we can handle during the present council's term of office, but mainly to deliberate on, analyze and project items of business that will be necessary to the future growth of Sidney, in this way information will always be available to any future council.

TRAFFIC PROBLEM

A very contentious matter that must receive our immediate attention is the item concerning the proposed C.P.R. traffic. Unfortunately, at this time, I am not able to give you any definite information, but I have asked the clerk to contact the principals concerned, with a view to getting as much information as possible. I also intend to contact and discuss the matter with the chief engineer in the department of highways.

The main issue at the present time is the routing of the heavy transports from the ferry dock to the highway and in this regard the comforts of certain residents will be involved. It is necessary to reduce to a minimum any inconvenience that is sure to occur in one form or another.

HEAVY AGENDA

We have a very heavy agenda for the coming year, but I feel very confident that the present council is going to get down to the business on hand—that is, the administration and development of Sidney.

I would like at this stage to thank on behalf of the village, all those that have served the village in its administration, also I would like to say a public "thank you" to those who have been so generous with their time and assistance in helping me to be better prepared for the job I have undertaken, and who have also offered to assist my council in any way during our forthcoming term of office.

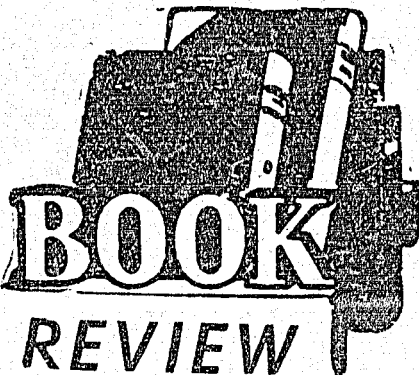
In closing, and on behalf of the council, I would like to extend our full co-operation and support to the reeve and council of the municipality of North Saanich.

zoning his property back to agricultural was registered by one of the owners concerned, Philip Bushby, 7851 Collins Road. Mr. Bushby wants his land zoned for marina use but council has hesitated on this point as Central Saanich does not have a bylaw defining a marina.

Mr. Durand told councillors they may withhold any proposed developments on the properties under consideration for a period of 90 days if necessary on the basis that zoning bylaws are under revision.

D. S. Nelson, of 7811 Collins Road, has mildly objected to the rezoning proposed by council, while Ocean Cement Co. has not objected to any rezoning of property at Owas oil Dependent Road.

Reeve Gordon Lee noted that the revised plan for Central Saanich by the C.R.P.B. will cost the municipality \$1,000. First plan prepared for Central Saanich by the planning board cost \$3,000 several years ago.



"The Mountbattens," by Alden Hatch. Random House. 472 pp. \$10.95.



Richards

The Mountbatten family has been distinguished by royal lineage, wealth, seamanship and an astute understanding of men. These qualities have made the family more notable for their naval exploits than for any other reason. This book appears to be aimed at bringing them low. It does not question their origins. It deals magnificently with their naval exploits and the understanding of men is presupposed by those exploits. The writer has questioned none of the accepted characters of a distinguished family. He merely brings out the foibles and faults of a national hero to prove him no hero. But he fails. When the book is finished the reader is left with a sneaking suspicion that he would sooner meet the subject than the author.

There is nothing that is particularly objectionable in the main course of the book. It brings in a variety of information to prove that the writer has studied his history. It then offers opinion as fact and inference as evidence.

It is not even written pleasingly. The author recounts scenes of emotion in an unconvincing manner. He has all the depth of earnest feeling that once characterized Peg's Paper, literary forebear of the North American soap opera.

The book is devoted to name-dropping by proxy. The author almost drools over the nicknames of notable people.

The picture he paints is unflattering in particular to the man who headed the allied forces in Asia. He ascribes motives to Mountbatten's actions, which remain unsupported and he shows a careless ignorance of the political scene obtaining at the time of which he writes. The characters never travel in a car: always a Rolls. The Rolls has two men on the box. How many readers can make out where his men are sitting?

He has the police benevolently watching the aristocracy amusing themselves and withholding protection from London peasants. He brings a modern American interpretation of current events into a European scene of several decades ago.

While the rest of the world is acutely conscious of the color of a man's skin, he writes of characters only concerned with the azure haze of a man's blood.

The book is divided into three sections. The first deals with the story of Prince Louis of Battenberg. Alden draws a picture of a skilful sailor and a kind and gentle man. The modern reader is not able to recognize whether his picture is clear. The Prince has passed into the oblivion of history and only his sailing skill and his kindness have any meaning to us today.

Not so Prince Louis' son, Louis Mountbatten is a part of today's history. It is less than fair to write him less than he has been. It is grievous to write him less than he has been known. If any one of us were to become the subject of a biography he would recall a thousand incidents to be suppressed and hidden. We all have recollections we would blush to have revealed. Do these incidents make us anything less than we are? If this biography

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Total cost of the project is estimated at \$25,000. This figure allows for considerable volunteer labor and the centennial committee is confident of gaining public support. The committee has undertaken to find the approximately \$6,000 by which centennial funds will fall short of the estimated needs.

OVER A YEAR AGO

Project was selected more than a year ago by the joint North Saanich and Sidney Centennial Committee. The committee at that time agreed to await presentation of a library referendum in both areas.

Referendum was delayed when North Saanich became a municipality and final decision of the committee could only be approved in principle by the council.

On Monday the members of the joint centennial committee explained the problems which had faced the project.

The committee will present its plans to North Saanich council next evening.

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FABIAN SOCIETY

CONFERENCE ON EDUCATION FINANCE HERE NEXT WEEK

Sidney will be the focus point of educators and students next week. Conference on financing of Education is planned here.

Fabian Society of Victoria will discuss the financing of education at a conference in Sidney Hotel on January 22 and 23. A labor leader, an economist and a teacher have been named to take part in the conference. Member of the provincial legislature is expected to be named as fourth man in the team. Conference will be open to the

er has, in fact, discovered hitherto unknown quirks of Mountbatten's character; do we judge him a lesser man?

The writer shows a greater awareness of social customs and social distinctions than of political veracity. The book drools with sycophancy and even a little venom.

The final section deals of the courtship of Britain's royal family. It reads like a maidservant's fiction. There is no substantiation of the claims given and it is presenting Queen Elizabeth and the Duke of Edinburgh as Hatch would like to see them.

The book is not a valuable addition to the library. It is permeated with artificiality and unreality. The reader is likely to find indignation rather than information within its pages.

At its conclusion the reader is left to wonder whether the writer has at some time been slighted in some imaginary manner by the victim of his adulation.

I don't care very much for this biography.—F.G.R.

SNOW REMOVAL

One Sidney merchant has been delighted with the manner in which the snow was cleared on Beacon Avenue during the holiday period. George Cochran told The Review that the village staff should be warmly commended.

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Unity is also essential in the Christian faith but it must be "unity in the faith." When one group holds the church to be infallible and another group holds the Bible to be infallible—how can they walk together? When one group holds that salvation is in the church and the other holds salvation is in Christ—how can there be unity? When one believes that the priest can mediate for the sin of the people and another believes that only Christ can, how can they walk together? And so it could go on—one opposing view after another—and how can there be any unity apart from one side or the other backing down on what they believe? Unity is not man made but is only of God. It is unity in the faith—when all believe in the oneness of the Godhead and salvation only through Christ's blood and base all their beliefs on the infallibility of the Scripture alone. Until then, unity is a farce—a place where there is no firm belief at all—only superficial agreement that will never stand the test of living. ***

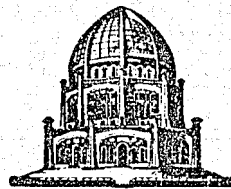
public and arrangements have been made to include full accommodation with registration for visiting participants.

Conference will open at 9:30 a.m. on Saturday next week. It will continue until Sunday afternoon.

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SUNDAY, JAN. 16
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FIRST BRIDGE TOURNAMENT

First tournament of the New Year was played by Sidney duplicate bridge members on Friday evening last in St. Andrew's Hall. Winners were as follows: north-south (1) C. E. Moorhouse and Tony Marsh; (2) D. C. Dickson and C. T. Skinner; east-west (1) Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Woods; (2) Mr. and Mrs. W. Burrows. Play will continue every Friday evening.

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Sunday School 10:00 a.m.

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CORRESPONDENT LOOKS BACK

Events Of 1965 On Salt Spring
Recounted In Summary Of Year

By BEA HAMILTON

1965 was a year of small eruptions over big issues at the South End of Salt Spring Island.

Mr. Richard Daymont started January, 1965, off with a critical look at the oyster future, fearing a drastic shortage as outside concerns and private launches steadily stripped the beaches of all sizes in oysters. He was backed by most residents and the local W.I.

Don Reynolds was awarded the trophy for making highest marks in history of fitting apprentices and received a bond from Noranda Copper Mine Ltd.

FEBRUARY

Mrs. R. D. Andrews (nee Lynn Akerman) was honored at a shower following her marriage at Port Arthur in January.

Mrs. M. Gyves received life membership in the W.I. as the only charter member for Salt Spring Island (1920-1965).

Mrs. Dick Royle (nee Anne Hollings) was surprised by a shower from her many friends.

A hungry baldheaded eagle pecked a hole in a lamb's head on Andy Steven's ranch in Beaver Point.

Amidst the winter snow (which had given the Island a white Christmas and several weeks of cold and frost) there appeared the first yellow crocuses at the Robert Gibbling's home on Morningside Road. Creeks overflowed, the first time in 30 years as snow melted on mountains.

MARCH

March saw the rise and fall of a new industry as the K and D Alder Co. tried to start milling alder and maple for pulp mills—the business collapsed after a few months' start.

The Fulford Athletic Club signed up 90 roller hockey players, from midjet to senior boys teams.

W. E. Taylor, celebrating his 90th birthday, went a-bowling in Victoria made the first strike in his life and followed up by eight more strikes in the alley.

A Manchurian pheasant titillated two business men, running up Tom Lee's Hill, causing Ron Lee and Chester Reynolds a few anxious moments as they thought they were seeing things—they were—the bird was imported by Jack McCall.

Sure, and wasn't there a story on March 17th, now, that told how St. Patrick got the better of King Lear in the year 427 and all how St. Patrick brought the shamrock into fame?

And on the 23th, with frost on the bush and snow on the hills, five swallows arrived to proclaim the coming of spring.

APRIL

Island artist, H. B. Dickens started April off with a shing of his excellent paintings in the Fulford Hall.

The John B. French family celebrated six birthdays in a gala party. Alec McManus Sr., celebrated his 80th birthday, was honored by his family and friends at the white Elephant Cafe.

MAY

Miss Gladys Patterson, graduate

nurse from the Royal Jubilee Hospital, received her award for psychiatric nursing.

Bob Holloman was guest speaker at the F.A.C. Hockey Award night in the Fulford Hall.

Historical note from the late Rev. E. F. Wilson that "in 1879, there was one cannibal on Salt Spring Island." Miss Darlene Marcotte was proclaimed Queen of May 24.

Jack Roland was hospitalized while up the coast on a fishing trip.

Miss Elizabeth Dane was married to James C. Tutt of Vancouver. Good news from the W.I. came that three government departments were looking into the oyster problem.

Eagles and gulls again in dispute over duck supper. The gulls won the battle of the wings.

Mrs. R. R. Alton won the grand aggregate award for flowers at the Salt Spring Island 'Mum Society and Garden Club exhibition at Fulford.

JUNE

A busy month with combined Anglican Church choirs mark Ascension Day in a tuneful chorus. Burgoyne Bay United Church holds first wedding in 20 years when Elizabeth-Anne Elaine Bridgen was married to Stuart W. Govenlock of Sooke.

Mrs. Rupert Griessell of Prince Rupert gave talk and showed pictures on the life of the Haida Indians. Sponsored by St. Mary's Choir.

Rev. Father Roland Roberts returned to Salt Spring from St. Vincent Island to show pictures and tell about the Mission work and how he used rum for the lamps, which proved cheaper than oil. The native population runs into the thousands in a small area on this island in the West Indies.

The story of Fred Holling's rhododendron mine was printed. Swallows trying to nest in a bollard on the Fulford-Swartz Bay ferry.

Mrs. D. (Gladys) Slingsby returns from a week's visit to Rev. Stanley and Mrs. Leech in Port Alberni.

Lady Livingston opened the St. Mary's garden fete held at Mrs. Helen Hippiess's home. Mrs. V. Grant of Deep Bay attended the W. I. meeting and tea at the home of Mrs. W. Y. Stewart.

June ended with the Fulford Annual Clean-up Bee at the docks and planting of the flower boxes.

JULY

All of 80 pounds of beans were cooked by Beaver Point ladies for annual bean supper when over 300 people enjoyed beans country style.

Granny (Mrs. Alice) Bennett and her grandparents, Terry Mollet, journeyed to England via the Carmania.

Wm. Foran, Victoria, backed his car over bank on Isabella Point hill and was tipped over into bed of nettles. Only casualty—he got stung.

AUGUST

Department of Transport installs Visual Omni-Range (VOR) on historical Mt. Tuam. This is most modern of radio navigation aids.

Cougar hound Pearl faces cougar

which was in act of devouring lamb on Rucicle's property in Beaver Point.

Denmark visitors, Mr. and Mrs. Rhode Hawsen visit sister of Mrs. Hawsen, Mrs. Emil Anderson, Beaver Point.

Mike Morris of Ganges wins Langley Trophy in Fulford Salmon Derby. Clam bake at Fulford sees large crowd feasting.

Mrs. Mary Hersey disturbs wasps in ceiling—result, exit—lady in a hurry while wasps take over cottage.

SEPTEMBER

Cougars again startle visitors on camping trips.

Labor Day beef barbecue feeds crowd at Fulford. Larry Rumsbey of Sooke in charge.

W.I. members work for Fulford Hall and Lion's Pioneer Village funds.

Three grey cranes get into flapping argument at seashore. Solimar resort winds up season with many visitors.

Gordon Cudmore gets salmon with neither rod, line nor hook—fish jumps on his boomed-up logs, result, salmon on menu.

Roberta Akerman married to Const. H. M. Allard in colorful wedding.

OCTOBER

Hon. W. N. Chant speaks to crowd of 60 at Ganges meeting.

Lions' Charter Night great success.

Island chamber starts things humming with suggestion to remove ferry terminal from Fulford to Isabella Point; result, new organization started at South End to serve the district and to see fair play all around; headed by Messrs. A. D. Dane, Bob Patterson and Norman Shaw.

A white swan seen in the harbor. Mrs. Ron Lee re-elected president W.I.

NOVEMBER

Through sponsorship of Island Lions, Scout organizing meeting was held in Fulford with Scout Commissioner F. C. Rhodes, RCMP officer, attending. Sea Scouts headed by new Scoutmaster James B. Stewart of Beaver Point. Capt. Les. Mollet heads group committee. Mrs. Les Mollet Brown Owl for First Island Brownie Pack.

Rod and Gun Club hold all-game meat dinner and dance with bang-up success.

MV Cy Peck again goes to bat for George S. Pearson as that Vesuvius-Crofton ferry breaks down for two days.

DECEMBER

Homes lit up with colored lights for Christmas—out of doors trees and many strings of lights trim the homes: all is brilliant—and then the storms come. Christmas Day is wild and sleety and most of the Island has a white Christmas—Fulford stays green but came Boxing Day! Overnight, snow piled up and before the next day was out, over two and a half feet of snow lay on roof and tree and field. Highways, maintenance and ferry crews out in all weathers and lights out in all

THE GULF ISLANDS
GANGES

Visiting Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Acland during the holidays were Mrs. Acland's sister, Mrs. B. D. Griffin, Kelowna, and Mrs. Griffin's daughters, Miss Naomi Griffin, North West Territories, and Miss Susan Griffin, Ottawa.

On New Year's Eve they were all guests of Mr. and Mrs. Acland's son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Gutherie, Shawigan Lake.

Mrs. Slisie Worthington has returned to her home on Ganges Hill after spending Christmas and New Year with her son and daughter-in-law, Dr. and Mrs. A. E. Worthington, Laguna Beach, California. En route home she visited her son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Abram Enns, West Vancouver.

Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Ashby of Vancouver were holiday guests of Mrs. H. Ashby, Ganges Hill.

Mr. and Mrs. A. V. Agar were weekend visitors of Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Love, Victoria. On their return to the Island they were accompanied by their young granddaughter, Cindy Paterson, who will stay with them for a few days.

Geoff Corbett, Campbell River, was a weekend visitor of his grandfather, Lieut.-Col. Desmond Crofton. Geoff returned to Shawigan Lake Boys' School on Tuesday.

Guests last week at Harbour House were Colonel P. R. Bingham and Mrs. Bingham, Vancouver, who will take up residence on the Island shortly.

Doctor and Mrs. E. E. Groff, Sunset Drive, will leave for Vancouver on January 11 where they will board M. S. M. Bonneville, "Klavenenn Line" for a three-month cruise to the Orient. During their absence their home will be occupied by Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Towers, Calgary.

Trees across lines, wires down, homes dark and cold—no more twinkling lights.

People cold, turkey cold—picnic suppers, candle light and smelly old oil lamps but everyone happy. General opinion was "How fortunate that it was Christmas and there is lots to eat in the house." Power was off and on for three days but mostly it was off. Then came the cheerful Wednesday, 2 p.m. and cheers. . . the power came on! So its back to the TV and push-button age after a taste of conditions back in the 1890's—a good time to end with a happy New Year to all and Salute to the crews who worked night and day through cold and snow—through their efforts all is merry once more with the wacky old world—and 1966 is coming in at the door.

PENDER

Mr. and Mrs. B. T. Kynaston have returned from a fortnight's visit to Vancouver where they were guests of Mrs. Kynaston's sister-in-law.

Miss Nan Diether from New Westminster, spent a few days as houseguest of Miss Marjory Busted over the New Year.

Mrs. Stephen King has returned to Cliff Cottage from a visit to Vancouver to her brother and stepdaughter, Mrs. Ian McKain, who sailed for New Zealand on the SS Chusan.

Mr. and Mrs. D. Cretny have returned from a fortnight in North Vancouver where they were completely snowed in.

Mr. and Mrs. O. Abelson returned from Haney where they have been visiting Mr. Abelson's daughter.

Mrs. C. M. Thomas passed away at St. Joseph's Hospital in Victoria on Monday, January 3.

Mr. and Mrs. Derwent Taylor had their daughter and son-in-law and their family from Sooke, Mr. and Mrs. J. Weikah, as guests.

DALTON DEACON

LAST MEMBER OF PIONEER
MAYNE ISLAND FAMILY DIES

By MARY BACKLUND

Dalton Deacon, a pioneer of Mayne Island, passed away at Lady Minto Hospital, Ganges, on December 31. He was the last member of the John Deacon family which came to Mayne in 1879.

John Deacon died in 1922, leaving the large farm at Village Bay to Dalton. The huge piles of boulders are a mute testimony to the hard work involved in clearing the heavily-wooded land without the aid of modern machinery. Many of the farm's 300 acres are green fields neatly fenced and have been farmed continuously to this day.

Dalton Deacon was born in Barrie, Ontario, on July 28, 1872, one of six children. He was married to Miss Edith Hill in Calgary in 1930. She was a teacher and taught on Mayne Island for some time. She predeceased her husband in 1961.

Mr. Deacon's sister, Anne, was Mrs. Samuel Brathour, a well-known pioneer resident of Sidney. His brother Andrew had a store for some time at North Galiano; brother John spent years on the Vancouver police force, and another brother, William, had a large farm on Mayne Island.

Mr. Deacon was an avid gardener and when the ferry terminal was put in at Village Bay he undertook to plant flowers all along the highway. This was such a beautiful

ISLAND TRANSPORT FIRM

A long established transport firm, Salt Spring Island Freight Services Ltd., has changed hands. Norman and Jerry Jackson, who already operate Saanich Freight Service Ltd. and Sidney Freight Service (1964) Ltd., have acquired the island truck line from Alvin Hyde of Victoria. No change in the daily operation is planned.

CHRISTMAS
SNOW MOST
SINCE 1926

H. J. Carlin, weather observer for Salt Spring Island, reports December weather brought a high 53 degrees on December 3 and 6 with 9.68 inches of precipitation. This included 36 inches of snow. Twenty inches fell between December 26 and 28, which is the heaviest continuous snow fall recorded since 1926.

The low temperatures were recorded on December 30 and 31 at 23 degrees. Mean temperatures were 43.6 and 35.4.

About average precipitation for the year came to a total of 38.86 inches.

Last year December snowfall of 35½ inches of snow gave a total precipitation of 7.52 inches. The high was 53 and the low, six degrees on December 16. The year's total precipitation came to 33.49 inches.

GALIANO

Mr. and Mrs. David New, with three sons, from Richmond, spent the weekend with parents, Mr. and Mrs. D. A. New.

Miss Jean Lockwood has returned from her trip to Nova Scotia where she spent the Christmas season with friends and relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. G. Thomson have returned back to the Island from their holidays spent in North Vancouver. Mr. Thomson is principal of Galiano school.

Mr. and Mrs. W. McKee have also returned home from holidays spent in Chilliwack with parents.

Mr. and Mrs. Roger Graham spent some time in Powell River and have now returned home.

Mr. and Mrs. Wally Graham, of Vancouver, recently spent a few days visiting their son and daughter-in-law and their only grandchild.

Mr. and Mrs. David Fairbairn have returned back home. They spent the festive season in Red Deer, Alberta.

Knut Vatsvag of Vancouver, spent the weekend visiting Earl Young.

FUNERAL AT
VANCOUVER FOR
GALIANO MAN

A Galiano Island resident since 1957, Chris Hargreaves, died at his home on December 21. He was 74 years of age.

Mr. Hargreaves was born in Lancashire, England, and came to Canada as a boy. He served with the 15th Canadian Scottish Regiment in World War I. He had resided with his wife Betty near Sturdies Bay since 1957.

Besides his wife, Mr. Hargreaves leaves his son, Alan J. Hargreaves, of Edmonton, and two grandchildren. Mrs. Hargreaves has now left Galiano to reside with her son in Edmonton. Funeral services were held in Vancouver, followed by cremation.

CONFIRMATION

Confirmation service was held at St. Mark's Anglican Church at 11 a.m. Sunday, Jan. 9, when The Most Rev. H. E. Sexton, Archbishop of British Columbia confirmed 10 young candidates who had been instructed by the rector, Archdeacon R. B. Horsfield, for the past few months. Archdeacon G. H. Holmes assisted with the service.

Those being confirmed were Charles and Rhonda Ryan, Alan and Lillian Cunningham, Elizabeth, Carol and Frances Fennell, Gillian French, Sue Marcus and Jim Morris.

WEDDING IS
PLANNED FOR
JANUARY 22

Mr. and Mrs. Cyril Beech have announced the engagement of their daughter, Dorothy Elizabeth, to Dan Bruce Harford, son of Mr. and Mrs. S. B. Harford, Qualicum, B.C.

The wedding will take place on January 22 at St. George's Church, Ganges. Miss Beech has chosen as her attendants her cousin, Miss Barbara Newman and Miss Ruth Sattermo as bridesmaids and her niece, Cynthia McLaren, Victoria, as flower girl.

ENGAGEMENT
IS ANNOUNCED

Mrs. W. H. Bradley announces the engagement of her younger daughter, Susan Daphne Graham, to Joseph L. Ortman, son of Mr. and Mrs. T. Ortman, Humboldt, Saskatchewan.

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Big Boost In Building As Close To 1,000 New Units Rise In Five Years

Value of building permits issued on Saanich Peninsula during the five years from 1960 to 1965 almost doubled in value. According to a summary by the Capital Region Planning Board, the total of permits issued in Central Saanich, Sidney and North Saanich during 1965 was \$2,658,175. This compares with a total value of \$1,416,132 for 1960.

The figures indicate that during the five years listed buildings to the value of \$12,900,825 were erected on Saanich Peninsula, north of Elk Lake. The figure is a modest one in view of the fact that the method of assessing permit values is rather below the actual value of the finished structure.

The planning board, directed by Anthony Roberts, made a presentation earlier this month to retiring provincial government representative, F. W. Nicolls. Mr. Nicolls was the first chairman of the planning board and served in the chair twice in his 15-year term.

Mr. Nicolls has been replaced by M. H. Mooney of Victoria.

EFFECT OF RETIREMENT

The planning board is preparing a revised zoning plan for Central

Saanich as well as an analysis of the effect of retirement on the economy of the district.

Major project facing the board, according to the director, is the revision of the Capital Region Plan, prepared in 1959.

Chart prepared by the board shows that 1964 was the bonanza year for apartments in all parts of the region. Scarce money, leading up to last week's increase in N.H.A. rates, has exerted a brake on residential construction during 1965.

In 1960 no apartments were constructed in any of the three local municipalities. The following year brought 16 apartments to Sidney. While apartments have steadily increased in the village, there has been no provision for their construction in either of the other municipalities.

TOTAL OF 136

Total of 136 apartment units have been constructed in Sidney from 1961 to 1965. In 1963 no start was made on apartment dwellings. Peak year was 1964, with 103 units started here.

Progress over the years, in terms of dwellings started, is also shown.

Number of new residential units constructed in each part of the area are close to the same level. In Central Saanich there were 289; in North Saanich 244 and in Sidney, 293.

In terms of actual effect on the community, there was provision for another 826 new families in the three municipal areas over the past five years.

Numbers of new units constructed in each of those years is also indicated: 1960, 81; 1961, 132; 1962, 122; 1963, 124; 1964, 284; 1965, 119.

Serving on the planning board from Central Saanich is Reeve R. G. Lee; from Sidney comes Commissioner L. R. Christian.

North Saanich municipality, as yet in its infancy, will appoint a representative to the board at a later date.

cleared of snow, cars dug out of snow banks.

Mothers served gallons of hot coffee and soup to tired snow shovellers. She dried out outdoor clothing fifteen times a day.

Only the children never tired of the white stuff . . . they had a ball. Sleigh riding, building snow men, building forts and having snowball battles. They exulted in an extra week's vacation from school. They fed myriads of birds. Their greatest adventure was the rescue of a small deer imprisoned in the snow. It was a fun time for children.

WE DID NOT STAY

We did not stay to see the end of the big snow. One day towards the end of the week we took advantage of a lull in the storms and precariously wended our way to Duncan (through canyons of snow), over a winter-white Malahat and home . . . by bus.

After the mountains of snow "up Island," Victoria looked like another country. The bare earth and green grass looked beautiful. One could even find patches of spring with snowdrops and jasmine in bloom. Our daffs and crocus are four inches above ground. Anemones in our little front garden have well developed buds. "If winter comes can spring be far behind?"

BARGAINS GALORE

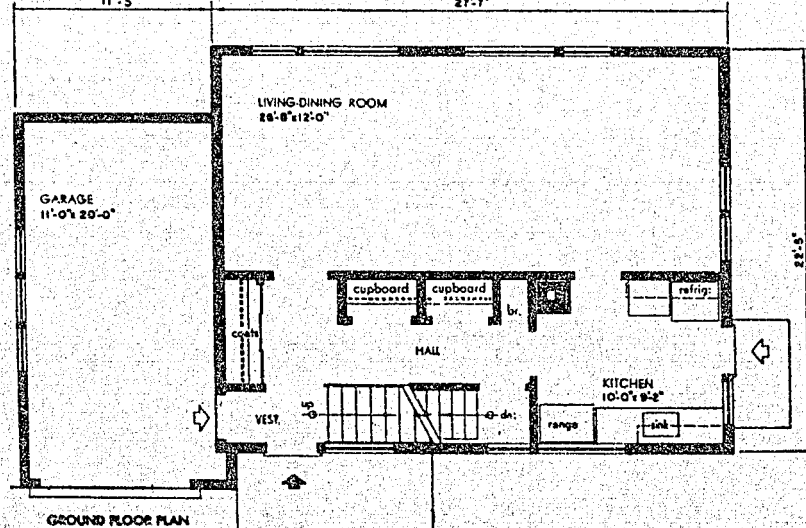
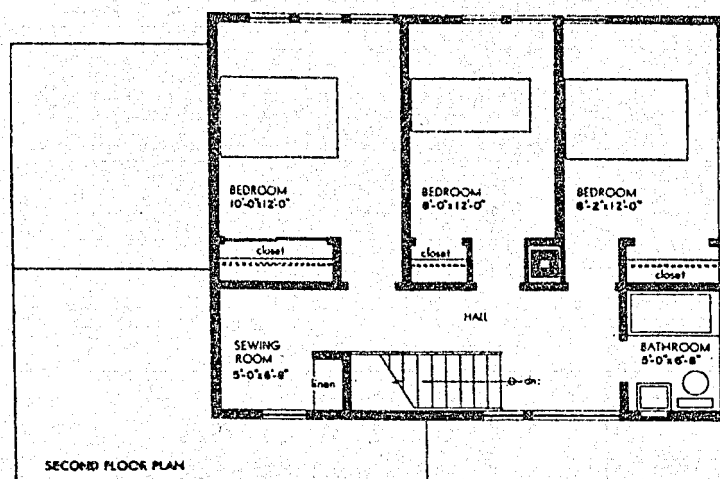
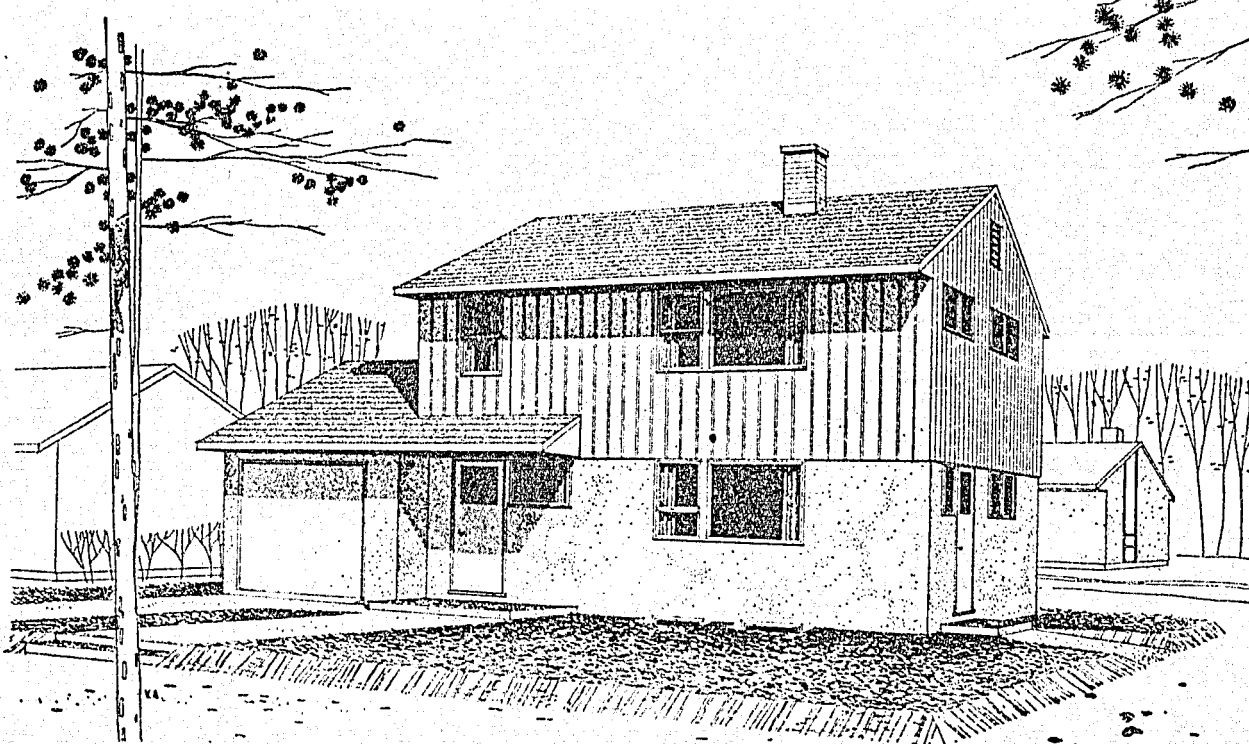
Weather isn't the only thing that is rampant in January . . . the stores are full of bargains and the populace in full pursuit. Sales! Sales! Sales!

After the heavy Christmas spending one wonders where the money comes from. Certainly it is a sign of an affluent society when immediately after Christmas the stores are jam-packed with shoppers. Of course it is a lovely thing to have money in your pocket when you spot a bargain but sometimes I wonder if we ever stop to think that there are some things that money cannot buy?

If one were lost on the sands of a desert, money would not buy one drop of life-giving water.

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Living On Two Levels In Two-Storey Plan



The two-storey house, such as this one designed by architect Roy Selors of Winnipeg, is growing in popularity among prospective homeowners.

The living-dining area and the three bedrooms all overlook the garden, and the working areas of the house face the street. Outside dimensions of house and garage make it suitable for most 50 foot lots. The ground floor closets are large and there is a door leading from the hall directly into the garage. There is a sewing and linen room off the open upstairs hall. The front door is well protected from the weather. In the basement there is, under the living-dining area, a similar space suitable for a play room. Best orientation should be obtained by placing the garage on the northern side of the lot.

TWO THRILLERS AT GEM

The Greek island of Crete in the Mediterranean is the setting for Walt Disney's first suspense-mystery, "The Moon-Spinners," which will be featured at the Gem Theatre in Sidney on Thursday, Friday and Saturday.

Hayley Mills stars in the film, along with Eli Wallach, Peter McEnery, Joan Greenwood, Irene Pappas and Pola Negri. The tale is about an English girl who accompanies her aunt to an out-of-the-way village on Crete, falls for a handsome young stranger, and shares a series of hair-raising adventures with him in his search for valuable jewelry and the thief who made the youth suspect by stealing it.

A young American novelist who comes to Stockholm, Sweden, to accept a Nobel prize and walks into both murderous danger and an uninhibited love affair is the subject of "The Prize" which will be screened at the Gem next Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday.

Paul Newman plays the young writer who has one eye open for a Martini and the other for a pretty girl. Elke Sommer plays a member of the Swedish Foreign Office who is assigned to guide Newman during his stay in the Swedish capital. Diane Baker plays the niece of another Nobel prize winner, Edward G. Robinson. The film combines suspense, a love story and some sophisticated comedy.

The floor area is 1,236 square feet and the exterior dimensions are 27 feet, seven inches by 22 feet, five inches excluding the garage. The garage adds another 11 feet, five inches to the width of the house. Working drawings for this house, known as Design 517, are available from Central Mortgage and Housing Corporation at minimum cost.

Out Of The Mixing Bowl

Our Values Are In Danger

By MURIEL WILSON

On the first day of the big snow there were only exclamations of delight for the white beauty of the scene. With the larder groaning with holiday food and drink, with the hearth fire blazing and with children playing ecstatically outside, most residents of Lake Cowichan were happily content. Visitors to the village rather enjoyed the feeling of being "snowed in."

Of course we did feel a pang for the less fortunate on other parts of Vancouver Island who were depriv-

ed of that indispensable servant . . . electricity. We remembered those who must travel, those with scheduled weddings and post Christmas parties. We gave thanks for our own happy situation.

STILL JOLLY

On the second day, with a fresh 10 inches of overnight snow, the scene was still beautiful, everyone was still jolly.

At breakfast the mother said "this is the last of the milk, please, Geri, fetch the milk from outside."

Of course there was no milk. Father said "I'll have a go at getting the car out and go to the store." Nonchalantly said, but with at least three feet of snow on a 100-foot driveway, it was no 15-minute job.

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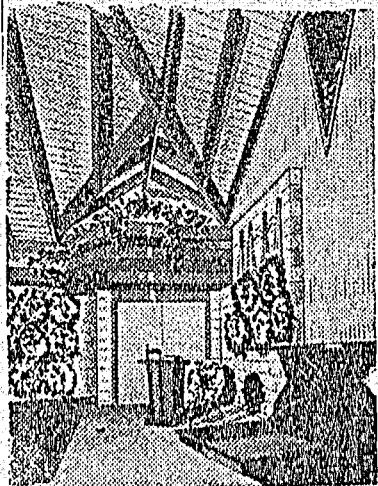
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Of course, money is important to everyone of us, but sometimes we attach too much importance to it. There are many things it cannot buy. During the recent storms, rich and poor alike were deprived of electricity. The man with stocks and bonds and money in the bank was no better off than the poorest user . . . no money nor prestige could restore the power to his house one jot sooner than to his less affluent neighbor. January is a fine time to re-assess our values in life.

SANTA'S PROBLEM

Some aspects of the progress of civilization must pose problems for Santa. A cartoon just before Christmas tickled my funny bone . . . a scramble of highways with overpasses and underpasses and roads going in all directions.

Pulled to one side was Santa, his sleigh and all the reindeer. A puzzled Santa was scanning a road map.

Regardless of road hazards or the perils of navigating roof tops amid TV aerials, the old gentleman and his fleet-footed reindeer make their once-a-year rounds without mishap.

Cat Finds Unusual Entrance

Cats get into the darndest places, as Mrs. G. Coleman, of 10425 Resthaven Drive, found out last Thursday morning.

Mrs. Coleman was mystified when a kitten's pitiful and steady meowing could be heard in her small store at the corner of Resthaven Drive and Harbor Road. Unable to pinpoint the direction of the sound, she searched all through the store and outside without any results. The cries for help continued.

Finally and skeptically Mrs. Coleman traced the plaintive wail to a chimney in one corner of the building. She opened the small door for clearing ashes and out popped a jet black kitten.

Mrs. Coleman said the kitten was completely black to start with and the soot didn't really change its color. She theorizes that the feline visitor got onto the roof of the store and climbed into the chimney for warmth. Fortunately, there was no fire in the grate and the kitten, belonging to a neighbor, survived its adventure.

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Tammy Lynne No. 1 This Year



Tammy Lynne Carlson, seen here with her mother, Mrs. Dennis Carlson, 1725 Wains Cross Road, took New Year honors at Rest Haven Hospital on January 1. Tammy Lynne arrived at 3:55 a.m. on New Year's Day, weighing 7 lbs. 7 ozs. She has one brother, Randy, aged two.

Water Fee Protested By Users

Water boards on the Saanich Peninsula agreed Wednesday morning to seek legislative action if the City of Victoria insists on increasing the price of water drawn from Elk Lake.

Representatives of all water boards on the peninsula unanimously endorsed the motion to inform city council that unless the former contract price of 1 1/4 cents per thousand and gallons is accepted by the city before the opening of the next legislative session on January 29, Saanich M.L.A. John Tisdalle will be requested to take action towards dispossessing the city of its water rights.

Victoria council has given two readings to a bylaw increasing the charge for water to the Central Saanich Waterworks Committee to five cents per thousand gallons. The Central Saanich water committee called the Wednesday meeting, pointing out that it would be necessary to pass on any increase to the consumers. Councillor C. W. Mollard, chairman of the municipal water committee, chaired the meeting.

The meeting will also consider the long-standing suggestion of Victor Dawson, chairman of Brentwood Waterworks District, to form a Peninsula Water Board composed of representatives of the various existing boards. The idea was firmly supported by Mr. Tisdalle who pointed out that such a board could present a solid front in its dealings with the city and the provincial government.

Brentwood, Deep Cove, Sidney and Dean Park were represented at the meeting by the chairmen and trustees, along with delegates from the Saanichton Experimental Farm, department of transport and other interested persons.

MRS. M. CAIN DIES AT AGE OF 94

Services were held at Sidney on Monday, Jan. 10 for Mrs. Matilda Cain, of Saanichton, who passed away on Friday, Jan. 7, at the age of 94. Mrs. Cain, a former resident of Brentwood Bay, was born in Cardiff, South Wales.

She is survived by two sisters, Mrs. S. Wood, 1764 Oak Bay Ave., Victoria, and Mrs. Bilborough, at Cardiff. Archdeacon E. H. Maddocks officiated at the funeral services in Sands Funeral Chapel of Roses, Sidney, on Monday. The services were followed by cremation.

MORE ABOUT ZONING

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materials within the house concerned.

RESTRICTION

Commissioner Boshier could not see why this should be restricted to the house. If the garage is attached to the house, then it may be used, but if it is not a part of the structure, then the owner may be heavily fined for keeping goods in the building, he suggested.

"Henry Ford started his business in the back yard," warned Comm. Boshier.

Home industry is important, he asserted. It has been the start of many businesses he told his colleagues.

The by-law was referred back to committee.

TYPOGRAPHICAL EXPANSION
Major Installation In Review Plant

A truckload of new machinery was installed in The Review plant this week and factory erectors are now busy preparing the new equipment for operation. It will swing into action this week to provide better and more rapid service in the job printing field of the company. As the commercial area served by The Review grows, expansion of the printing plant is imperative and directors have taken every step to ensure that Sidney will have modern and efficient typographical facilities.

In charge of the new offset department of The Review is Jo Steinicke who learned his trade in Germany following the Second World War. He served a six-year apprenticeship—three years in theory and three practical—and is fully qualified in his field. Mr. and Mrs. Steinicke have been Sidney residents for the past six weeks while the former



JO STEINICKE

has been preparing for the new installation.

Current additions to The Review plant bring the investment in Sidney to the \$150,000 mark. The company has one of the larger payrolls in the community. The plant is fully

IN AND AROUND TOWN

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daughter and son-in-law, Cpl. and Mrs. G. Coldwell, in Edmonton. Cpl. Coldwell is stationed at RCAF Namao.

Mrs. G. Wark of New Westminster, spent the New Year weekend with Mrs. J. H. Nunn, Henry Ave., and other relatives in the district. Mr. and Mrs. George Howard returned to their home on Rest Haven Drive after spending the holiday season with their daughter and son-in-law in Jamaica.

Friends and neighbors of Mrs. M. J. Adams, formerly of 2319 Amelia Ave., Sidney, will be pleased to hear that she had a most enjoyable trip visiting many friends and relatives on her way back to her new residence in Regina, Sask.

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While blasting is in progress the road will be closed.

PLAY PRESENTED AT CLAREMONT NEXT WEEK

The full-length play "I Remember Momma" will be presented by the drama club of Claremont senior secondary school in the school auditorium next Tuesday and Wednesday evenings at 8 o'clock.

Heading the 25-member cast of the play, which ran for a long period on Broadway, are Valerie Bishop as Momma and Bob Davidson as Poppa. Director is Mrs. R. G. Phillips.

BOTTLE DRIVE ON SATURDAY

Brentwood Scouts and Cubs will work this week to boost their flagging resources. They are planning an aggressive bottle drive all through the Brentwood area on Saturday morning, Jan. 15. The boys will particularly appreciate donations of beer, pop and Growers wine bottles. Co-operation of householders is sought by the boys. They are invited to have bottles ready for collection when possible.



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DRAINAGE REPORT WEDNESDAY

Drainage problems on Frost Ave., between Maryland Drive and Lochside Drive, will be discussed on Wednesday evening by Sidney council in committee.

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Investigation followed complaints last year from a resident of Maryland Drive that water was not able to run off his property.

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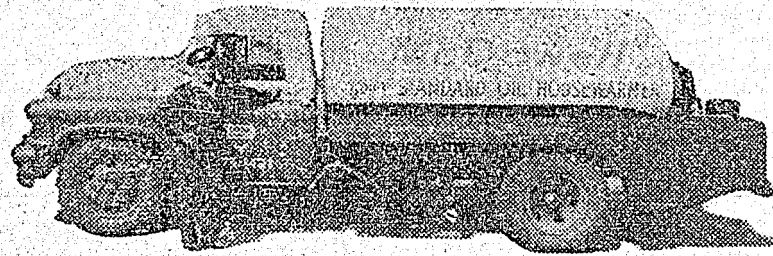
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